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Director

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Attention: Document Control Desk

Washington, DC 20555

References:

- 1) Docket No. 70-143; SNM License 124
- 2) Letter from NRC to T.S. Baer, License Renewal (TAC NO. L30873), dated July 2, 1999
- 3) Letter from B.M. Moore to NRC, Licensing Plan of Action to Support the Blended Low Enriched Uranium (BLEU) Project at Nuclear Fuel Services, dated October 4, 2001 (21G-01-0180)
- 4) Letter from NRC to B.M. Moore, Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc., Amendment 31 (TAC No. L31535) to Approve Integrated Safety Analysis Plan and Delete License Conditions S-28 through S-38, dated October 30, 2001
- 5) Meeting at NRC Headquarters to Discuss License Condition S-25 Reviews for Processes at BPF, held May 20, 2002

Subject:

ISA Summary for the BLEU Preparation Facility Processes

Dear Sir:

Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) hereby submits the BLEU Preparation Facility (BPF) Integrated Safety Analysis (ISA) Summary, in accordance with Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 70.62.

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NFS is currently authorized in NRC Materials License SNM-124 to perform special nuclear material downblending and conversion operations at the 200 Complex. In July 1999, your staff completed licensing and safety reviews of these processes in support of the renewal of SNM-124 (Reference 2). As discussed with your staff at the May 20, 2002 meeting (Reference 5), NFS is relocating its downblending operations to the BPF in support of the BLEU Project (Reference 3).

Regulations specified in 10 CFR 70.62 require that NFS complete and submit for approval, the ISA summaries for existing processes by October 18, 2004. The ISA for the BPF is complete, therefore, the attached summary of the BPF ISA is submitted for your review and approval. For your information, NFS intends to utilize the High Security Storage Area by June 1, 2003, and anticipates startup of other BPF processes described herein by July 1, 2003, to support BLEU Project milestones.

The BPF ISA Summary contained herein (Attachment I) was prepared in a manner consistent with Reference 4. The BPF ISA Summary is considered proprietary information, as set forth in the enclosed affidavit; therefore, NFS requests that this information be withheld from public disclosure. A non-proprietary version of the BPF ISA Summary suitable for public disclosure is contained in Attachment II.

No changes to SNM-124 were required to support this submittal.

The drawings enclosed herewith have the following statement affixed:

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If you or your staff have any questions, require additional information, or wish to discuss this, please contact me, or Mr. Rik Droke, Licensing and Compliance Director at (423) 743-1741. Please reference our unique document identification number (21G-02-0317) in any correspondence concerning this letter.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE

AFFIDAVIT

- I, B. Marie Moore, Vice President of Safety and Regulatory at Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc (NFS), make the following representations that to the best of my knowledge and beliefs:
- 1. The following document which Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) wishes to have withheld from public disclosure, is:

Attachment I to NFS letter B. M. Moore to Director, NMSS, dated October 14, 2002 (21G-02-0317), in its entirety.

- 2. The information contained in the document cited in 1 above has been held in confidence by Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc (NFS) in that it is of a privileged and confidential commercial nature
- The information contained in the document cited in 1 above is the intellectual property of Nuclear 3 Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) and as such is customarily held in confidence by Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) has customarily submitted privileged and confidential information of this type to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and to its predecessor, the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC), in confidence.
- The information contained in the document cited in 1 above has not been made available to public 4 sources by Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS), nor has Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) authorized that it be made available.
- 5 The public disclosure of the information contained in the document cited in 1 above is likely to cause substantial economic harm to Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc (NFS).

10/14/02 Date Vice President Safety & Regulatory I certify the above named person appeared before me and executed this document on this the ____ day of October, 2002. Notary Public My commission expires ACKNOWLEDGMENT nnessee

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On this 14 day of Oct ,20 02 personally appeared before me,

who is personally known to me,

County of

___whose identity I verified on the basis of_

whose identity I verified on the oath/affirmation of Laure Nulty a credible witness,

to be the signer of the foregoing document, and he/shp acknowledged that he/she signed it. Metomi & Lewis